

COMPARISON OF NATIONAL REGISTER LISTING AND LOCAL DESIGNATION

	NATIONAL REGISTER	CITY OF ROCKFORD	
		LANDMARK	HISTORIC DISTRICT

APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO			
Rockford Historic Preservation Commission	No	Yes	Yes
Illinois Historic Preservation Agency	Yes	No	No

APPLICATIONS REVIEWED BY			
Rockford Historic Preservation Commission	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rockford City Council	No	Yes	Yes
Illinois Historic Preservation Agency	Yes	No	No

FINAL APPROVAL OR DENIAL MADE BY			
Rockford City Council	No	Yes	Yes
Keeper of the National Register/National Park Service	Yes	No	No

IS OWNER CONSENT REQUIRED?	Consent is not required; however, if the owner of an individual property being nominated or the majority of owners of a proposed district object, designation will not occur. (Each owner gets one vote, regardless of the number of parcels they own.) The review will still go forward to determine if the properties are <u>eligible</u> for the National Register.	No. Owners must be notified within 3 days of receipt of an application that their property has been nominated for landmark status, but their consent is not required.	Owners of 2/3 of all parcels included in the application must sign a petition saying they support the application before it can go forward. (Owners of more than one parcel get one vote for each parcel.)
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IS THERE A FILING FEE?	No.	\$65	\$50 for the district as a whole + \$15 for each parcel
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WILL I NEED TO GET SOMEONE'S APPROVAL BEFORE I CAN CHANGE MY BUILDING, DEMOLISH IT OR BUILD A NEW ONE?			
If paid for with private funds.	No.	Yes. The Rockford Historic Preservation Commission must approve all exterior changes (including demolition and new construction) that are visible from a public right-of-way, regardless of funding source.	Yes. The Rockford Historic Preservation Commission must approve all exterior changes (including demolition and new construction) that are visible from a public right-of-way, regardless of funding source.
If paid for at least partly with funding from the State of Illinois.	Yes. The Illinois Historic Preservation Agency reviews all changes to National Register properties when State funds are involved in some way.	The same rules for review by the Historic Preservation Commission apply, regardless of funding source.	The same rules for review by the Historic Preservation Commission apply, regardless of funding source.

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If paid for, licensed or operating with a permit from the federal government.	Yes, by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.	The same rules for review by the Historic Preservation Commission apply, regardless of funding source.	The same rules for review by the Historic Preservation Commission apply, regardless of funding source.
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WHAT FINANCIAL INCENTIVES ARE THERE?			
For income-producing properties	Renovation of properties listed individually on the Register or as a contributing structure in a district: 20% federal income tax credit; for properties that are not contributing and non-residential but were built before 1936: 10% tax credit.	You <u>may</u> be able to use the 20% tax credits if the property is deemed eligible for the National Register <u>and</u> you pursue designation.	Contributing properties would be eligible for the 20% federal income tax credits <u>if</u> the district is certified by the National Park Service.
For owner-occupied homes	Major rehab (worth at least 25% of market value): 8-year freeze in assessed valuation of the property	Major rehab (worth at least 25% of market value): 8-year freeze in assessed valuation of the property	Major rehab (worth at least 25% of market value): 8-year freeze in assessed valuation of the property

WHAT PROCEDURE HAS TO BE FOLLOWED FOR DESIGNATION?	1. Nomination is submitted to the IHPA where it is reviewed for completeness.	1. Application is submitted to the Rockford Historic Preservation Commission (RHPC).	1. Application is submitted to the RHPC.
	2. IHPA asks our Commission for comments/recommendation.	2. RHPC holds a public hearing, then votes on a recommendation.	2. Application is reviewed by the Planning Division for economic impacts and conformity with the general plan.
	3. RHPC holds a public hearing, then votes on a recommendation to IHPA.	3. RHPC recommendation is submitted to City Council.	3. RHPC holds a public hearing, then votes on a recommendation.
	4. Nomination is reviewed by the IL Historic Sites Advisory Council which sends a recommendation to the Keeper of the National Register. (Note: IHSAC meets quarterly.)	4. Application and the RHPC recommendation are discussed at the Code & Regulation Committee, which sends a report to the full City Council.	4. RHPC recommendation is submitted to City Council.
	5. The Keeper makes the final decision.	5. Final decision is made by City Council.	5. Application and the RHPC recommendation are discussed at the Code & Regulation Committee, which sends a report to the full City Council.
			6. Final decision is made by City Council.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT

The National Register of Historic Places www.cr.nps.gov/nr/
Historic preservation income tax credits www.cr.nps.gov/tax.htm (Nat'l. Park Serv.) www.illinoishistory.gov/PS/taxcredits.htm
Illinois property tax freeze program www.illinoishistory.gov/PS/taxfreeze.htm